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SUBJECT:ECWA: FIFTH PLENARY TO BE HELD OCTOBER 1978

REF: A) BEIRUT 2274; B) STATE 92785

THIS IS A REPEAT OF TELEGRAM 2394 FROM BEIRUT DATED
APRIL 27 SENT TO WASHINGTON, INFO USUN.

1. ECONOFF CALLED 4/26 ON ECWA SECRETARY OF COMMISSION
ADNAN RAOUF FOR FURTHER DETAILS RE FIFTH PLENARY
ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED MAY 1 - 6. RAOUF CONFIRMED FIFTH
PLENARY IS POSTPONED UNTIL OCTOBER, NO FIXED DAY AS YET,
IN VIEW SECURITY SITUATION IN BEIRUT.

2. APPLICATION FOR OBSERVER STATUS IS ACCOMPLISHED BY
SIMPLE LETTER OF REQUEST. FORMAL DESIGNATION OF SUCH
STATUS ACCORDING TO ARTICLE 4 OF ECWA ARTICLES OF
ESTABLISHMENT IS "CONSULTATIVE MEMBER." UK AND INDIA
HAVE ALREADY APPLIED FOR THIS STATUS. WE PLAN SUBMIT
LETTER NEXT WEEK.

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3. RAOUF INDICATED PREPARATIONS LEADING UP TO FIFTH
PLENARY CALLED FOR AN AGENDA DEVOID OF SPECIAL FEATURES
OR ISSUES. MAIN ITEMS INCLUDE REPORT ON COMMISSION

ACTIVITIES SINCE FOURTH SESSION, A DRAFT MEDIUM TERM
PLAN (1980-83), REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATUS, FOLLOW-UP

TO RESOLUTION 47 (IV) ON REGIONAL COOPERATION, AND
1978-79 PROGRAM BUDGET. ONE ITEM OF INTEREST TO RAOUF,
WHO IS IRAQI, IS INTERIM REPORT ON ESTABLISHMENT OF
ECWA'S PERMANENT HQ IN BAGHDAD.

4. RAOUF PROVIDED EMBOFF AN AGENDA AND PACKAGE OF
PREPARATORY DOCUMENTS WHICH CORRESPOND TO ROUGHLY HALF
THE AGENDA TOPICS. THIS MATERIAL BEING POUCHED 4/29
TO IO/IEP AS REQUESTED. DECONTROL 4/26/80. PARKER.

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